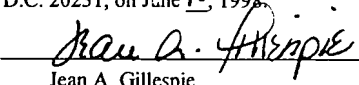


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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents are also submitted herewith. Please note that reference 2 is a Japanese-language publication. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(c), an English translation of this document is provided as reference 3. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

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Applicants would appreciate the Examiner initialing and returning the Form PTO-1449, indicating that the information has been considered and made of record herein.

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